

Discovery Days

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Dearest Discovery Days Families,

March was such a fun month! The Easter Egg Hunts were precious! The older they get, the more serious the hunt becomes!

I wish you could be here while the children are creating their masterpieces. They are very serious AND particular about how it should be done! The final "treasures" make me smile!

Just a reminder that Easter services here at First Baptist Allen will be at 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, April 1. Preschool classes are available for children ages birth - Pre-K.

Thanks for sharing your precious ones with us. It brings us such joy to see the growth that has taken place in their lives this year. They are a true blessing to us.

Blessings to you,
Leslie Meil



Rolling Pins & Handwriting: What's the Connection?

Write Out of the Box! June 2010

We all know that children love to use rolling pins with playdough, but did you know that rolling pins foster development of the precision muscles of the hands? The precision muscles of the hands are the muscles that support the tripod pencil grasp and allow the child to adjust the amount of pressure when holding a pencil. The action of rolling a rolling pin with hands flat and fingers alternating between extended and curved is a natural action by a child who is using a rolling pin to help make real or faux cookies!

Provide a wide variety of rolling pins to create multiple opportunities for children to build their hand skills and maintain interest in pattern making. Pizza cutters are a fun way to develop the longitudinal arch of the hand (needed for holding a pencil).

Be sure to engage young children in kneading the dough in this fabulous recipe for Kool-Aid Playdough. Children love to knead dough, which strengthens their hands and allows them to gain confidence as your big helpers. This hands-on activity is sure to provide hours of fun!

Kool-Aid Playdough:

- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup water
- 1/2 cup salt
- 1 pkg Kool-Aid (any flavor)
- 2 tsp. cream of tartar
- 2 tbsp. vegetable oil

Mix all together and cook in a saucepan over medium heat until mixture forms a ball. Let cool on waxed paper. Knead a little when cool. Store in a Ziploc bag or air tight container.

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Open House: April 19 6:30-8:00 p.m.

This year we are focusing on God's wonderful creation! Please plan to join us on Thursday, April 19, as we share our 7-days of creation, enjoy a cookie together and sing some of our favorite songs for you. Our 3s, 4s, and kindergarten classes will be performing in our sanctuary at 6:30 p.m. Our 2s are invited to watch the program with their parents and sing along in the pew. The Rotunda and each classroom will be filled with wonderful creations from your child! Make sure to bring your cameras! We will have several photo opps available for you to capture the moment!

"God looked at everything He had made, and He was very pleased."
Genesis 1:31

April Birthdays:

- 4/8 Josef D
- 4/9 Trinity L
- 4/19 Aaron D
- 4/19 Keagen T
- 4/21 Annabeth L
- 4/21 Cora T
- 4/25 Danny B
- 4/26 Charlotte P

Spring Fling

April 3 and 4

Flower planting,
tricycle riding,
kite flying,
bubble blowing...

We are
celebrating spring!

Teacher Appreciation Week

April 30-May 3

Please contact Jamie Strawn
at jlwhite125@gmail.com
or 214-733-2172 if you
would like to help. Also, you
are encouraged to join the
"Discovery Days Community"
Facebook page!

April Dates to Remember

Tu & W, 4/3 & 4: SPRING FLING

Th, 4/19: OPEN HOUSE 6:30-8:00 p.m.

INDIVIDUAL STUDENT PICTURES:

Wed, 4/25: Ms. Erin (2s), Ms. Misty, Ms. Kim (4s),
Ms. Renee & Kindergarten

Thurs, 4/26: Ms. Dolores, Ms. Ember, Ms. Debbie,
Ms. Janet, Ms. Dianne, Ms. Patti, & Ms. Cynthia

M-Th, 4/30-5/3: Teacher Appreciation Week

Snacks for April

- 2 Oyster Cracker & Goldfish
Cracker Mix
- 3 (3s, 4s, K) Dirt Cups*
*(Choc Pudding, Choc Graham
Crackers, Gummy Worms)
- (2s) Choc Graham Crackers
- 4 Dirt Cups* (Ms. Kim/Misty)
Choc Graham Crackers
- 5 Veggie Straws
- 9 (3s, 4s, K) Pretzels
(2s) Cheerios
- 10 Chex Cereal Mix
(Rice, Corn, Choc Chex)
- 11 Fresh Fruit
- 12 Graham Crackers
- 16 Apple Jacks & Cheerios Mix
- 17 Animal Crackers
- 18 Wheat Thins
- 19 Snack Mix
- 23 Cheese & Crackers
- 24 Cheese Balls
- 25 Nilla Wafers
- 26 Goldfish Crackers
- 30 Graham Crackers

Save the Date!

May 9 & 10

Four-year-olds will celebrate
Muffins with Moms!